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Questions for Auditing Laboratories

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<u>General</u>

Name & location of lab:

Institute for Bio-Analysis and Hygiene, Perg, Upper

Austria

Private or gov't lab?

Private

How & when was accreditation obtained?

1997, accredited by the Human

Food Department of Federal Chancellary.

How & how often is accreditation maintained? *Ministry of Ecnomic Affairs Accreditation Department. Minimum once and maximum twice a year.*

When and how is payment for analysis provided?

After reporting

Are results released before payment is received?

Yes

Methodology for HACCP Salmonella samples (regulatory labs)

Does this lab analyze HACCP Salmonella samples?

How are HACCP Salmonella samples received & recorded? Samples are collected and brought to the laboratory by the laboratory personnal.

Are HACCP Salmonella samples analyzed on the day of receipt? No (within one week).

What method(s) is used for HACCP Salmonella samples?

AOAC ISO 6575

Is it a qualitative method (i.e. +/- result)? **Yes**Are HACCP ground beef samples analyzed for Salmonella?

No

What is the size of the ground beef test portion? N/A

What buffer is used:

Buffered Peptone Water

Sponge samples for Salmonella?

Yes

Poultry rinsates for Salmonella?

N/A

Salmonella ground beef sample homogenates?

N/A

Analytical controls are employed for each set of samples.

Yes

How are HACCP Salmonella results expressed?

Positive or negative

How are HACCP Salmonella results recorded: log book

Data sheets/work sheets?

and/or Log books?

How and to whom are HACCP Salmonella results reported? By mail to establishment management

Are "check" samples periodically used to test the proficiency of the lab and analysts for Salmonella testing? Yes

Methodology for HACCP generic E. coli samples (in-plant or other private labs)

Does this lab analyze HACCP generic E. coli samples? Yes

How are HACCP E. coli samples received & recorded? Samples are collected and brought by the laboratory personal.

Are HACCP E. coli samples analyzed on the day of receipt? No - within one week

What method is used for HACCP generic E. coli samples? AOAC ISO 6575

Is it a quantitative method? Yes

What buffer is used: Buffered Peptone Water

E. coli sponge samples? Yes

Poultry rinsates for generic E. coli? N/A

Are analytical controls are employed for each set of samples? Yes

How are HACCP E. coli results calculated and/or expressed? Quantitative

How are E. coli results recorded: Log books

Data sheets/work sheets?

Log books?

How and to whom are HACCP E. coli results reported? By mail to establishment management

Are "check" samples periodically used to test the proficiency of the lab and analysts for generic *E. coli* testing? **Yes**